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Re: Serrano v. Quindlin
Docket No.: 1:16-CV-07548 (NRB)(GWC)
Our File No.: DNJ 26119

Your Honor:

Our office represents the defendants in the above referenced matter which is scheduled for a Settlement Conference on May 12, 2017.

In response to the e-mail of today's date from Mr. Durham, to date, the defendants have not made a settlement offer. My client has advised that they will be conferencing this matter this week and will be prepared for the upcoming conference, however at this time, they do not have any settlement authority. The plaintiff has been advised of this.

If Your Honor requires that an actual settlement offer be made prior to the conference, then we request that the conference be adjourned. If we can wait until the conference to make a settlement offer, then we can proceed as scheduled.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Very truly yours,

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On April 26, 2017, the Court issued an order requiring that defendants respond by May 5, 2017, to the plaintiff's demand. See Docket # 16 at 2. That demand was made as of April 27, 2017. Defendants never sought an extension of this Court-ordered deadline but instead apparently ignored it. The Court will not at this time consider whether defendants conduct should be the subject of sanctions provided that on or before May 10, 2017, defendants promptly seek an extension of the deadline by following the procedure described in paragraph 1.E of the Court's Individual Practices. The request for an extension must include not only the matters described in paragraph 1.E but must also recount all efforts defendants have made since April 26, 2017, to comply with the Court's Order. The defendants must also specify the date on which they propose to comply with the Court-ordered deadline (the morning of the settlement conference itself is not an acceptable date). The Court notes that the settlement conference itself may be adjourned but only by complying with the procedures set forth in Docket # 16.

SO ORDERED: DATE: 5/9/2017

GABRIEL W. GORENSTEIN
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE